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SUBJECT: SOVIET TREATMBNT OF AMERICAN CORRESPONDENTS

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1. NEWSMEN TODAY ASKED DEPARTMENT PRESS SPOKESMAN GEORGE VEST FOR REPORT ON USG ACTIONS IN RECENT CASES OF HARASSMENT OF AMERICAN NEWSMEN IN MOSCOW.

2. HAS EMBASSY DISCUSSED EITHER OGDEN, JOSELOFF, SHAW INCIDENT OF OCTOBER 5 (REFTEL A) OR MOSELEY, CREPEAU DETENTION OF OCTOBER 13 (REFTEL B) WITH MFA?

3. IF NOT, IN LIGHT OF IMPLIED THREAT TO EXPEL LEDDINGTON DESCRIBED IN REFTEL (C), BELIEVE EMBASSY SHOULD SEEK APPOINTMENT WITH MFA TO DISCUSS PRESENT SOVIET ATTITUDES TOWARD AMERICAN NEWSMEN.

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4. MEETING WOULD ALSO BE APPROPRIATE OCCASION TO INQUIRE

ABOUT STATUS OF US NEWS AND WORLD REPORT APPLICATION AND
TO DEFINE RESTRICTIONS ON TASS CORRESPONDENT ROMANTSOV.

5. DEPARTMENT PLANS TO CALL IN SOVIET PRESS COUNSELOR
YEVSTAFYEV IN NEAR FUTURE TO GO OVER SAME GROUND. RUSH

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